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To: Tomas Torres, Director (WTR-1)
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9
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From: Bruce H. Wolfe
Executive Officer
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

Date: September 28, 2018

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (U.S. EPA)
APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN
FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION (BASIN PLAN) TO ESTABLISH SITE-
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES AND TMDL FOR DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN SUISUN
MARSH AND TO AMEND THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY MERCURY TMDL TO
INCLUDE SUISUN MARSH

Dear Mr. Torres:

Pursuant to federal Clean Water Act sections 303(d)(2) and 303(c)(2), we are submitting for U.S. EPA's approval an amendment to the Basin Plan to establish dissolved oxygen water quality objectives and TMDL for Suisun Marsh. In addition, the amendment adds Suisun Marsh to water bodies being addressed by the existing San Francisco Bay Mercury TMDL. The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (San Francisco Bay Water Board) adopted this amendment on April 11, 2018, under Resolution No. R2-2018-0015. The Basin Plan amendment was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) on August 21, 2018, under Resolution No. 2018-0040.

The amendment documentation (i.e., the San Francisco Bay Water Board and State Water Board administrative record) is being sent separately to Diane Fleck for review.

In accordance with your request, we are submitting this amendment concurrently to both U.S. EPA and the State's Office of Administrative Law (OAL). OAL's approval letter will be transmitted upon receipt.

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We look forward to receiving your approval of this Basin Plan amendment. If you have any questions on this subject, please contact Kevin Lunde, TMDL Section Lead, at (510) 622-2431 (Kevin.Lunde@waterboards.ca.gov). You may also contact Barbara Baginska at (510) 622-2474, (Barbara.Baginska@waterboards.ca.gov) who is the lead staff person on this project.

cc: (with amendment documentation)

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